

Candidate Statement

2016 Gila County Governing Board Position
Payson Unified School District No. 10

Hello, my name is J. Marlene Hetrick, and I'm running for a position on the Gila County governing board at the Payson Unified School District No. 10. I take the position of the Payson school board seriously and hope to lead with assurance and dignity as we replace Washington with Americanism.

As a native of Arizona, I'm proud to have been born in the copper mining town of Hayden, found at the southern-most tip of Gila County. My primary teaching experience is from instructing special interest classes at the Arizona College of Technology and Central Arizona College. Broadcasting through radio and television has been my principal teaching platform for the past twenty years.

In my quest to become a board member of our school district, I have examined local school issues and have interviewed area teachers, active and retired. My conclusion is that every issue can be resolved by the panel of school board members working together for the common good of both students and teachers. For example, I've been informed that class room size is too large. I agree that together a solution must and can be found to quickly correct the problem.

The time has come to rebuild our American infrastructures. Airports, bridges, transportation plus water, power, and communication systems are in need of immediate care. Every solid structure must have a strong foundation. The American educational system is in need of major repair. Americanism is the most powerful foundation in the entire world and its teaching was once the glue that held America together. The cornerstone of allegiance and respect of country must be re-established. My heart's desire is to build great Americans through education.

It is time to teach our young people that respect and loyalty brings freedom and prosperity from our God and healing to our land.

Through education America produces the greatest engineers, inventors, builders, and infinitum. Why do the unemployment figures prove that thousands of these highly qualified American people are out of work? Because through federal influence and ignorance, Common Core, *the American right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness* has been exchanged for political correctness and globalism.

I'm in agreement with veterans groups to present patriotic education through volunteerism at the Payson school district on a regular basis. Together we can look forward to bringing back the most solid infrastructure ever formed, and that is the restoration of teaching our children Americanism.

I want to assure you that I'm a person of vision. My head is set like flint to make American heroes through education. We have the potential, with vision, to put Payson on the map by incorporating patriotism K-12.

I do take the station of the Payson Unified School District school board very seriously and I will lead with confidence and respect as we replace sedition with the founding Constitution of the United States of America. Thank you.

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